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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re **PATENT** application of:

Applicant: Angela Hui, et al.

Application No.: 10/045,354

For: AN INNOVATIVE METHOD OF HARD MASK REMOVAL

Filing Date: November 7, 2001

Examiner: Khiem D Nguyen

Art Unit: 2823

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION DATED FEBRUARY 24, 2004

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.